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A vaccine for active immunization of an equid against a Sarcocystis neurona infection comprising a recombinant polypeptide consisting essentially of at least one epitope of a 16 (± 4) kDa Sarcocystis neurona antigen and at least one epitope of a 30 (± 4) kDa Sarcocystis neurona antigen.

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A method for producing a fusion polypeptide in vitro comprising:

- (a) providing a microorganism in a culture containing a DNA encoding the fusion polypeptide consisting essentially of at least one epitope of a 16 (±4) kDa Sarcocystis neurona antigen and at least one epitope of a 30 (±4) kDa Sarcocystis neurona antigen linked to a polypeptide that facilitates isolation of the fusion polypeptide;
- (b) culturing the microorganism in a culture to produce the fusion polypeptide; and
- (c) isolating the fusion polypertide from the in vitro culture.

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